Remarks

This application has been carefully considered in connection with the Examiner's Action.

Reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested in view of the foregoing.

The abstract of the disclosure has been amended in accordance with the Examiner's suggestions. More specifically, as amended herein, the abstract of the disclosure is now in narrative form, limited to a single paragraph within the range of 50 to 150 words, contains no legal phraseology, is clear and concise, does not repeat information given in the title and avoids phrases which can be implied. In view of the foregoing, it is submitted, therefore, that the Applicants have amended the abstract of the disclosure to conform to the requirement stated in item 3 of the office action dated July 5, 2005.

The Examiner has rejected the claims under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over Claims 1-56 of U.S. Patent No. 6,658,091. In response, the Applicants submit herewith a Terminal Disclaimer timely filed in compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.321(c). It is submitted that, by filing the enclosed Terminal Disclaimer, the obviousness-type double patenting rejection has been overcome. Accordingly, the reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection of the claims under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting and the allowance of the application are respectfully requested.

This application is now considered to be in condition for allowance. A prompt Notice to that effect is, therefore, earnestly solicited.

A check for \$65 to cover the Terminal Disclaimer fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.20(d) is enclosed herewith. It is believed that, apart from the Terminal Disclaimer fee referenced herein, there are no other fees due in connection with this communication. However, in the event that there are additional fees associated with this communication, the Commissioner is authorized to charge

any additional fees connected with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1515.

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